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REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

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Sir/Madam:

In the "Notice of Allowability" that was mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 23, 2008 for the above-identified application, no acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority. Applicant requests that a Supplemental Notice of Allowance be issued acknowledging that the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

Respectfully submitted,

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